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Sunday 6th June 2021

CORPUS CHRISTI

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions: Sunday 6th June 2021 (Solemnity)

CORPUS CHRISTI - THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

6.15pm (Saturday 5th June 2021)
Giselle Fernandes RIP
8.30am People of the parish
11.30am Shirley & Francis D'Souza RIP
5pm Clarice Durrant RIP

Tenth Week in Ordinary Time (Yr 1) Monday 7th June 2021 (Feria) 10am Joseph Lunn RIP PVT Intentions of Jonathan & Susan Veira Tuesday 8th June 2021 (Feria) 10am Marie Rose Chan RIP **PVT The Holy Souls** Wednesday 9th June 2021 (Memorial) St Columba, Abbot 10am Raffaele Antonio Forte RIP PVT The Knights of St Columba Thursday 10th June 2021 (Feria) 10am Tony Storey RIP **PVT The Holy Souls** Friday 11th June 2021 (Solemnity) THE MOST SACRED

HEART OF JESUS
10am Bill Lams RIP
PVT The Holy Souls
Saturday12th June 2021 (Memorial)
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10am The intentions of the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Birmingham Sunday 13th June 2021

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (YrB) 6.15pm (Saturday 12th June 2021)

Archbishop John Wilson, on his recent second anniversary as our Archbishop. 8.30am November Deceased List 11.30am Intentions of Michael Wemambu

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Our Current Public Mass Schedule *Mass: Monday – Saturday: 10am; *Confessions: Saturday, after 10am Mass, until approx 11.30am; *Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm); 8.30am; 11.30am; 5pm.

VOCATIONS

To enquire about vocations, or to donate to the Priests' Training Fund, please go to: Vocations (resouthwark.co.uk)

CURRENT COVID INFORMATION

Please follow all instructions given to you by our dedicated stewards. Track and Trace forms still apply. If you feel ill, please stay at home, even if you have been either partly or fully vaccinated. (It is still possible to contract COVID and spread it to others.) Continue to wear masks/face coverings, which must cover nose and mouth. Please don't gather outside the church. Observe social distancing of 1 metre. Votive candles may now be lit and offerings may be put in wall boxes. Statues may be touched, but not kissed. Communion is back in its normal place, and you may return to seats afterwards. "HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR" We are not out of the woods yet, and local or national situations could result in the return of restrictions. Please do your

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE

bit in helping to avoid that happening.

ILL AND/OR HOUSEBOUND: John Ambler, Jessica Anane, Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Bruce Davidson, Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail, Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Terry Jupp, Scarlett Kurowski, Philomena Lopez, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas, Mary Meyern, Sheila Newman, Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy, Ronald Smail, Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo, Monica Vergara, Michael Wemambu, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION NEWS

Due to the large number of applications for children to make their First Holy Communion this year, and since we have a limited number of catechists, the children will be divided into two groups: Group One will be making their First Holy Communion in July this year; Then Group Two this September. All those in the July group have already been informed, and those who have not yet been contacted will form part of the September cohort. They too will be contacted in due course by the catechists. If you are interested in becoming a catechist going forward, please make yourself known to Fr Deo. A DBS check will be required, and since this will not be possible in time for this year, it would help us to start the process in

preparation for future years. **GIFT AID & FINANCE NEWS**

Now would be an excellent opportunity to set up a Standing order, though only if your financial circumstances allow.

Standing Orders provide us with a regular, predictable monthly income. For information on Gift Aid, a crucial way to increase parish funds, please contact the Parish Office. You may download a Standing Order Form from our parish website: sof 200904.jpg (724×1024) (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

Please await further information regarding the collection and/or distribution of new Gift Aid Envelopes.

They may be delivered to you.

(Some boxes have been renumbered.)

Gift Aiders may continue to use spare envelopes from their existing boxes. Please just add the date on the front. If you need a Year End Letter, please wait, due to the backlog in entering Gift Aid into the computer programme.

If you are a tax payer, you may join the Gift Aid scheme. We can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your contributions at no extra cost to you! If you set up a Standing Order, but it has not yet been debited from your account, please make contact with your bank.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (cf Psalm 80:17) He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING (Exodus 24:3-8)

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning, he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood, Moses took up and put into basins, the other half, he cast on to the altar. And, taking the Book of the Covenant, he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people.

'This' he said, 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 115:12-13, 15-18, response v 13)

R: The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.

- 1. How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?

 The cup of salvation I will raise;

 I will call on the Lord's name. **R**.
 - 2. O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. *R*.
- **3.** A thanksgiving sacrifice I make; I will call on the Lord's name. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people. **R**.

SECOND READING (Hebrews 9:11-15)

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE IS NOW RECITED

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 6:51-52)

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Mark 14:12-16, 22-26)

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' So, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, 'The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating, he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing, he broke it and gave it to them, 'Take it,' he said, 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many.

I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the Kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung, they left for the Mount of Olives.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (John 6:57)

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him, says the Lord.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES

The following courses will each consist of two sessions.

All courses are to be held in the Retro Chapel:

Course 1 – Wednesdays 23rd & 30th June 2021 @ 7.30pm.

Course 2 – Saturdays 17th & 24th July 2021 @ 2.30pm.

Please complete a Baptism Details Form in full and send it to the Parish Office. If you have sent in a form recently, kindly contact the Parish Office to choose a course.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is operating remotely. Do get in touch by phone, email or via the Contact Form on our web site.

Please wait patiently for a response.

MASS INTENTIONS

These may also be booked by email or by phone. Details will be provided about making offerings, which may be Gift Aided. Please deliver Mass Offering Envelopes to the presbytery.

ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC, OR KNOW SOMEBODY WHO IS INTERESTED?

If you, or somebody you know would like to find out more, please contact any one of our clergy.

Our dedicated catechists are now preparing the next RCIA course – (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Please spread the word about this, and look out for further information in the coming weeks.